November 17, 2011

The Board of Public Works & Safety met at 4:00 pm on the above date in the Meeting Room at City Hall Annex with Mayor Tucker presiding and members Fuelling and Higgins attending. Others attending were Chief Beloat; Sue Shelton; Ed Adams; Aaron Burke – Bernardin Lochmueller & Associates; Sara Manifold – Mount Vernon Democrat; and arriving during the meeting, Chief Dixon.

Mayor Tucker called the meeting to order by stating members were either mailed or hand carried copies of the minutes of the previous meeting and by asking if there were any corrections or additions. He added if not, he entertains a motion to waive their reading and to approve the minutes as presented.

Board member Fuelling moved the reading of the minutes be waived and they be approved as presented. Seconded by Board member Higgins.

Mayor Tucker asked if there was any discussion?

There was none.

Mayor Tucker stated all those in favor of the motion should signify in the affirmative; and following the vote, he reported the motion carried unanimously.

Mayor Tucker requested action on the claims presented.

Board member Fuelling moved the claims presented be allowed for payment. Seconded by Board member Higgins.

Mayor Tucker asked if there was any discussion?

There was none.

Mayor Tucker stated all those in favor of the motion should signify in the affirmative; and following the vote, he reported the motion carried unanimously.

*****CLAIMS****

Mayor Tucker stated they will now hear the reports of the Departments.

Chief Beloat stated next Friday Advanced Radio Communications, in Huntingburg, is hosting an Open House. He stated the police department buys much of their equipment and supplies from them. He would like permission for himself, Chief Dixon and Comm. Maynard to attend and use a city vehicle.

Board member Fuelling moved permission be given. Seconded by Board member Higgins.

Mayor Tucker asked if there was any discussion?

There was none.

Mayor Tucker stated all those in favor of the motion should signify in the affirmative; and following the vote, he reported the motion carried unanimously. He then asked if there were any questions of Chief Beloat?

There were none.

Chief Dixon was not present.

Supt. Givens was not present.

Comm. Maynard was not present.

Aaron Burke stated he is present with an update for the Board on the LTCP. He stated they are 90% done with the concrete work at the pump station and the line down W. 2nd Street is progressing as well. He added they are also working on the third casing. He stated W. 2nd Street will be repaved before winter sets in, so everything seems to be going very well.

Mr. Burke then stated the plant is progressing hot and heavy and the equipment will be shipped in eight to 12 weeks.

Chief Dixon arrived at the meeting.

Mr. Burke continued by stating BLA will be sending a letter to IDEM concerning the by-pass system that will be in place at the plant during construction. He added the city will still be required to meet the requirements of their permit, that is the law. Keiffer will do all they can to minimize the downtime. He stated they are still on schedule for completion in February 2012. Board member Fuelling questioned the size of the hole at the street department location, it is huge. He stated he knows they are close to being done with that and asked how much of a footprint will be taken up by that lift station?

Mr. Burke replied 50' x 80', but the street department will still have room for parking, but not like they had before.

Board member Higgins added she has heard no complaints about the construction.

Mayor Tucker asked if there were any questions?

There were none.

Chief Dixon stated he has no report.

Mayor Tucker asked if there were any questions?

There were none.

Mayor Tucker stated under Legals, Bld. Comm. Willis needs the Board to take action on one of the quotes that were opened a few meetings back, on the demolition of 1320 Locust. He added they had several quotes, but O'Risky was the lowest at \$6,300.00.

Board member Fuelling moved the Board accept the low quote of O'Risky Excavating on the demolition of 1320 Locust Street, for \$6,300.00. Seconded by Board member Higgins.

Mayor Tucker asked if there was any discussion?

There was none.

Mayor Tucker stated all those in favor of the motion should signify in the affirmative; and following the vote, he reported the motion carried unanimously.

Mayor Tucker asked if anyone in the Audience wished to address the Board?

Ed Adams asked about the W. 2nd Street line – when will it be resurfaced?

Mr. Burke replied SRF will not fund a full resurface. They will only cover the areas that were damaged during construction. It should be done by early December.

Mayor Tucker added he and Supt. Gray have been communicating on some of his lines that need replaced – he actually has a list of lines, their age, and condition. They may try to coordinate those replacements with the eventual full resurfacing of W. 2nd Street.

Mayor Tucker asked if there was any Old Business? There was none.

Mayor Tucker asked if there was any New Business?

Board member Higgins stated Christmas on Main Street is December 3 and she needs to request some street closures for the light parade: at 5:30 pm the 200 block of E. Water Street, with parade route going down Main to Wesley Hall at First United Methodist Church.

Mayor Tucker moved the closures be approved. Seconded by Board member Fuelling. Mayor Tucker asked if there was any discussion?

There was none.

Mayor Tucker stated all those in favor of the motion should signify in the affirmative; and following the vote, he reported the motion carried unanimously. He then added Board member Higgins and Larry Williams are going a good job on the Christmas on Main Street, and he would also like commend Board member Fuelling on his work on the riverfront. Board member Fuelling added they have the trees, with help from SABIC, and they will be put in Saturday.

Mayor Tucker stated if there was no further business, he entertains a motion to adjourn. Board member Higgins moved the meeting be adjourned. Seconded by Board member Fuelling. Mayor Tucker stated all those in favor of the motion should signify in the affirmative; and following the vote, he reported the motion carried unanimously and adjourned the meeting.

	John Tucker Mayor
ATTEST:	
Cristi L. Sitzman Clerk-Treasurer	